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WHEELING'S ENTERPRISE AND CAPITAL

Figure in the Proposed Wheeling, Bethany and Wellsburg Electric Railroad.

FRANCHISE HAS BEEN GIVEN

To a Wheeling Company, Headed by Messrs. Paull and Miller—The Route and Plans.

Wheeling enterprise and capital will, within the ensuing twelve months, build and place in operation an electric line twenty-six miles in length that will bring into close tributary relations with this city the richest agricultural region hereabouts—the Buffalo creek valley between Wellsburg and Bethany and the agricultural district bordering on the Wheeling, West Liberty and Bethany pike. In addition to developing this region the railroad will make it practically a certainty that Bethany college will not be moved to Pittsburgh or elsewhere; in fact, will make old Bethany practically a Wheeling institution.

The Intelligencer has already told of the effort made by Messrs. J. A. Miller and Alfred Paull and their associates to secure the franchise from Brooke county for the right of way through that county for the proposed electric line between Wheeling and Wellsburg, via Bethany and West Liberty. On Saturday, the Brooke county commissioners met at Wellsburg and awarded the franchise to the Wellsburg & Wheeling Railway Company. In addition to the two gentlemen mentioned they have associates in Messrs. W. A. Wilson, of Wheeling; Robert McCormick, of Sistersville; Samuel George and S. O. Paull, of Wellsburg, and C. A. Weaver, of Moundsville.

The franchise covers the right of way from Wellsburg to Bethany, out the pike along Buffalo creek and thence southward on the Bethany and West Liberty pike to the Ohio county line near Potomac. Its term is perpetuity. It is to be formally accepted by the company within two months, and within three months after acceptance work of construction must begin, and to be completed within twelve months.

The company will come before the Ohio county commissioners now with an application for right of way from the Brooke county line to Altenheim, it being understood that an arrangement will be made with the Wheeling & Elm Grove for the running of the new line's cars into the city over the other's tracks. The route from the Ohio county line is over the Wheeling, West Liberty and Bethany pike, via Potomac, West Liberty, Clinton and Greggsville to Altenheim.

The franchise was given the promoters by the Brooke county commissioners gladly, the sentiment through the parts of the county where the line will run being unanimously and enthusiastically in favor of the project. At the meeting of the commissioners Saturday at Wellsburg, there was a delegation of Bethany's leading citizens on hand, who were "pulling" for the franchise with all the energy they possessed. In the delegation was one of Bethany's faculty; for all of Bethany's friends realize that the proposed road will place the institution in closer touch with the world and result in the ending of talk of moving the college to Pittsburgh or elsewhere.

There had been a hitch between Messrs. Miller and Paull and the commissioners, relative to certain restrictions proposed to be inserted in the franchise ordinance. The commissioners desired the company to agree to take care of one-half of the expense of repairing county bridges used by the railroad, or when they fell down or were washed away. This the company objected to as unreasonable, and the commissioners finally yielded the point.

The proposed road is twenty-six miles in length. The promoters had thought of applying for the route along the West Virginia bank of the Ohio river, only sixteen miles between Wheeling and Wellsburg, but the route via Bethany found favor for the reason that the road will pass through a very rich agricultural district, whose capacity for development is vast, while there would be little room for expansion and improvement via the shorter route along the river. Another consideration was the heavy traffic between Bethany and Wellsburg, which is now sufficiently large to keep two hacks in the business, and both of them doing well. This travel, together with freight and the business that would be handled from West Liberty, Potomac and the other interior communities made the longer route much more promising. The Bethany people believe that many Wheeling people will be attracted to their beautiful village, where there are many and ideal sites for residences. This also applies to West Liberty and the entire territory traversed from Altenheim northward. A genuine boom for the section ought to result from the building of the proposed electric road.

On Saturday, Mr. Paull made an effort to purchase the plant of the Wellsburg Electrical Company, which supplies incandescent light and lights the streets of Wellsburg with arc lights, but the figures named were steep and the deal was not closed. However, Mr. Paull believes a more reasonable figure will be named. As he puts it, there is not enough lighting business in Wellsburg for two concerns, and as the railroad company will have to operate its plant to give power to the electric line's cars it will be in a position to make better prices for lighting Wellsburg's streets and for lights for private consumers, than the present concern can make.

Mr. Paull's company already has the franchise for a street railway connecting Wellsburg with Lanesville, two miles above, and 120 feet of track has been put down in the former town.

OUR Toys are the best selected. THE BON TON.

THE TRADES ASSEMBLY

Meets in Regular Session—Amalgamation Discussed.

At the regular meeting of the Trades Assembly yesterday the chief business occurred over the proposed affiliation of the assembly with the American Federation of Labor, and the fight made by the stogie makers to bring influences to bear that will result in their union being admitted into the Federation.

Credentials were received from the following new delegates:

Garfield local No. 1, stogie makers—Wm. C. Wagoner, Roger W. Welsh and Bartley A. Condrey.

At the assembly's last meeting a communication was read from the headquarters of the American Federation of Labor, requesting the Wheeling assembly to affiliate with it, and it was stated the federation embraced a number of central labor bodies. Discussion on the matter came up yesterday.

Amalgamation was not congenial to the stogie makers, who opposed it on the grounds that the federation had refused to recognize President W. H. H. Riley, of the Stogie Makers' league. The federation's position in opposition to recognition of the stogie makers' union was prompted by the cigar makers. Hence the stogie makers' delegates to the assembly opposed the assembly's affiliation unless the federation recognized their union.

Delegate Jackson, with other delegates, thought the assembly should send a delegate to the federation's meeting, and ascertain the benefits to be derived. The federation might admit the stogie makers on the assembly's representations.

It was brought out in the extended discussion that the painters were not affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, also that the assembly had been boycotted once for a year by the federation for refusing to expel the Musicians' union from the assembly. The Stogie Makers' National union was desirous of getting into the federation, which so far has refused to admit it. The assembly became much wrought up over the discussion and a motion to postpone for two weeks was lost.

Finally it was decided to send a representative to the assembly in conjunction with a delegate from the Garfield assembly of the stogie makers.

The assembly's representative was then balloted for. There were several nominations, all declining excepting Messrs. Sims, Boes, Byrne and Bauer. Two ballots were taken. The first resulted: Sims, 15; Boes, 4; Byrne, 11; Bauer, 4. Messrs. Boes and Bauer dropped out and the vote on Sims and Byrne resulted in the election of Sims. The vote stood: Sims, 20; Byrne, 15.

The credentials were made out for Delegate Sims, who will attend the federation's convention which opens in Detroit this week.

An interesting debate ensued prompted by Delegate Mercer, of the Riverside coke workers, who asked as to the probable status of an independent union of the tonnage men at the Wheeling steel works. Mr. Mercer compared the scale of this plant favorably with those of Amalgamated mills, hence the employees would suffer a reduction under the Amalgamated prices. His assertions were in part denied by the Amalgamated delegates. It developed that Organizer Boes will attempt to organize the Benwood steel and iron workers next Friday night.

Garfield assembly will choose its delegate at a special meeting this evening. The two delegates will leave for Detroit to-morrow.

A Citizens' Committee.

At a meeting held in McMechen Saturday night steps were taken to put a citizen's ticket in the field at the election in January. A. F. Reese was made chairman, and the following ticket was chosen: Mayor, George Arts; recorder, A. J. Stover; council, Jesse Clayton, W. E. Porterfield, J. L. Pracht, W. K. Shaw and C. C. McMechen.

New Pass in Rocky Mountains.

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A VERY WHITE ELEPHANT

And How Cincinnati Saengerfest Committees Get Bid of It.

Ever since June, when thousands of the North American Saengerbund and thousands of their friends, including several hundred from Wheeling, went to Cincinnati for the golden jubilee Saengerfest, only to find an unfinished building provided for their concerts, the general committees of Cincinnati in charge of the affair have been puffing and perspiring while trying to get rid of the scandal-breeding structure. It represents a deficit of nearly \$70,000.

Almost any one of the men responsible for the miserable affair could make up the amount and scarcely miss the money. Subscription plans galore to pay it have all failed. Even the non-resident officers of the Saengerbund, President J. Hanno Deller, of New Orleans; Honorary President John Dimling, Pittsburgh; trustees William Arns and Justus Emee, Chicago, and other outsiders are said to have been appealed to in the matter.

Recently a large light seems to have dawned upon the troubled committee-men. They would quietly dispose of the very white elephant by the lottery process—lottery, pure and simple. Lottery, notwithstanding they had such millionaire counselors as Bernard Bettman, internal revenue collector at Cincinnati, and who was president of the Golden Jubilee event; Banker Leopold Kleybolte, Henry Muhlhauer and others of Cincinnati's greatest citizens. The committee has started out to sell \$5,000 tickets at \$1 apiece in this strictly grand prize lottery. Each and every ticket admits the bearer to "some sort of an old concert" as one committee-man expresses it, which is being used to cloak the mammoth lottery scheme, and, too, gives the holder a chance at winning the building.

To stimulate sale of tickets the committee agrees to pay the drawer of the prize \$10,000 cash for the building. A commission of seven and one-half per cent is being offered to people who will sell the tickets. At a meeting held Saturday,

Monday, the committee reported 11,000 tickets quietly disposed of at \$1 apiece. The date of the drawing has not yet been fixed.

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DIED.

WALTER—On Saturday, December 9, 1893, at 11 o'clock a. m., MRS. AMALIA WALTER, widow of the late Frank Walter, in the 69th year of her age. Funeral from her late residence, Altenheim, on National Road, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are invited to attend. Interment private at Peninsular cemetery.

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